

COMMISSION
ON LUNACYMet To-day and Out-lined
Plans to Examine Thaw

JURY HAS BEEN EXCUSED

Justice Fitzgerald Called Together Three
Men Whom He Chose Yesterday to
Determine the Mental Status
of the Accused.

New York, March 27.—The members of the Thaw lunacy commission met in Justice Fitzgerald's chambers today, previous to the holding of court to dismiss the jury until it shall be needed to resume the trial or formally discharge Thaw, if he is found to be insane. Justice Fitzgerald called the commissioners together to give them instructions and allow them to outline their plans before going to court.

At the conclusion of the conference between the attorneys and court today, Justice Fitzgerald adjourned the session until 11:30 Monday morning. The justice immediately retired to the chambers where the commission awaited him. The next move is entirely with the commission, and District Attorney Jerome said he had no idea what they would do. Attorney Harbridge will represent Thaw before the commission.

As soon as he came into court, Justice Fitzgerald excused the jury until Monday morning. Then he began the whispered conference above referred to, participated in by Fitzgerald, Jerome and Harbridge.

Evelyn Thaw, Mrs. Thaw, the countess of Yarmouth and Mrs. George L. Carnegie sat in court behind Harry Thaw. Evelyn Thaw's eyes and cheeks were swollen with weeping.

Personnel of the Commission.

The announcement by Justice Fitzgerald of his determination to appoint a lunacy commission was unexpected. Thaw received the court's decision philosophically and once more declared that he had no doubt the commission would declare him a sane man. The personnel of the commission named by Justice Fitzgerald lends a new distinction to this already notable case. The men who will determine the mental capacity of Thaw are Morgan J. O'Brien, former justice of the appellate division of the state supreme court; Peter B. Olney, formerly district attorney of New York county and a lawyer of high legal attainments; Dr. Leopold Puzel, a practicing physician and authority on mental disorders.

Former Justice O'Brien is one of the trustees, with Grover Cleveland, of the Hyde stock in the Equitable Life Assurance society purchased by Thomas P. Ryan just prior to the insurance investigation. When he was a candidate for reelection to the bench in 1901 as a Democrat, Justice O'Brien was unopposed. President Roosevelt made a trip from Washington to Oyster Bay to cast his ballot for him.

Before being elected district attorney of New York county in 1893, Mr. Olney had been a member with William C. Whitney of the commission appointed in 1879 to revise the laws of the state affecting public interests in New York City. He is a graduate of Harvard.

Dr. Puzel, the third member of the commission, is a graduate of Bellevue hospital medical school and has had a long experience in that institution. He is qualified before the state medical board as an examiner in lunacy.

Effect on Lawyers.

Thaw's lawyers and the defendant himself were downcast when they were first made acquainted with Justice Fitzgerald's decision, but all were manifestly pleased when the latter announced as to the personnel of the committee of lunacy was made. Mr. Delmas, in particular, declared that Justice Fitzgerald could hardly have selected a more generally satisfactory commission—one whose decision would command more confidence and respect. District Attorney Jerome seemed pleased with the result of the dramatic appeal he made last week to the conscience of the court, asking an interruption of the trial on the ground that the defendant was in such a mental state that he could not intelligently confer with and advise his counsel and did not understand the nature of the proceedings against him.

Messrs. Harbridge and O'Reilly went with Mrs. Evelyn Thaw to the hospital ward where the defendant was being held. This ward had been placed at the disposal of the crowd in the usual consultation room. The brothers of the defendant did not go to the tomb, but hurried up town with the news of the commission to their mother and sisters where they waited for the result of the conference with Justice Fitzgerald and was not in the least surprised.

"It is all right, dearie," he said to his wife. "I am not afraid of a commission. I am a sane man now, just as sane as the judge himself, and I am sure that any fair-minded commission will so declare me."

The attorneys quickly withdrew from the conference and Thaw and his wife sat for a long time together in discussing what the commission probably would do. When Mr. Harbridge came out he declared:

"The fortitude of the boy (meaning Thaw) astonishes me sometimes, and it certainly did today."

Later in the afternoon Thaw sent out a statement in which he said: "Everything is perfectly satisfactory to me. I am sure I will be able to satisfy the commission that I am sane at the present time. Anything Justice Fitzgerald has to say is all right. He has always acted in a fair and impartial manner."

AUTOMOBILE COLLIDED
WITH STREET CARCol. James M. Varnum of New York
Killed Last Night—Was Promi-
nent Member of the Bar.

New York, March 27.—Col. James M. Varnum, formerly surrogate of New York county and once a member of the assembly, was fatally injured last night when his automobile in which he with his wife and Miss Mary Frink, a relative were being driven to the theatre collided with Broadway surface car. Col. Varnum was thrown against a forward part of the tonneau receiving a fracture of the skull. He was hurried to a hospital and died while being placed upon an operating table.

The women suffered from the shock but were not seriously injured. The automobile was moving up Broadway on the east side of the car tracks when the chauffeur turned and looked over his shoulder to see if the north-bound car was approaching. Seeing none near, he turned his car across the tracks and directly into a south-bound car, the approach of which he had not observed.

Col. Varnum was 59 years old and resided at 36 East 52nd street. He was one of the best known members of the bar association of the city of New York, and long been prominent as a Republican in politics. He was a director of the lawyers Title Insurance & Trust company and a trustee of the real estate Trust company. He was vice-president of the order of the Cincinnati in Rhode Island, a governor of the society of Colonial Wars in New York.

COLLEGES DRAW PRIZES
FROM ROCKEFELLER FUNDFour Institutions Named Yesterday
Which Will Benefit By the Do-
nations of the Oil Man.

New York, March 27.—The first distribution by the general education board since it received John D. Rockefeller's most recent contribution of \$320,000, was made at a meeting of the board yesterday, when conditional gifts totaling \$625,000 were made to five educational institutions.

The money was divided as follows: Yale university, \$300,000; Princeton university, \$200,000; Bowdoin college, Brunswick, Me., \$50,000; Millsaps college, Jackson, Miss., \$25,000.

After making these appropriations the board voted to give a total of \$42,500 to the colored schools, the names of which were not made public, but the help of the board should tend to discourage gifts to these schools from other sources.

With the five principal gifts, it is the condition that the institution shall raise a specified sum independent of the board's contribution. Yale and Princeton are each to raise \$2,000,000; Colorado college, \$500,000; Bowdoin, \$250,000 and Millsaps, \$100,000.

These subscriptions were decided upon after the board had considered applications from about 400 institutions.

Further distributions will, it was stated, be made before long.

ONE MAN KILLED.

Also Twenty-six Horses Destroyed in
a Jamaica Plain Fire.

Boston, March 27.—One man, believed to have been Alfred McDowell, lost his life and twenty-six horses were killed in a fire last night that practically destroyed the livery stable of Allen & Fox, 16 Union avenue, Jamaica Plain, and an adjoining house owned and occupied by John O. Pugsley, who also owned the stable. The loss on the property is estimated at \$20,000.

McDowell, who was not connected with the stable, was in a small building adjoining the stable in the rear. It is believed he was overcome by smoke and was practically insensible when the fire reached him. The body was burned almost beyond recognition.

CAR OF DYNAMITE
EXPLODED TO-DAYFour Persons Killed and Other Bodies
Are Believed to Lie Amidst
The Wreckage.

Atlanta, Ga., March 27.—Four persons are dead and others are believed to be buried in the wreckage as the result of the explosion of a car of dynamite in the Southern railroad yards here. Three of the dead are negroes. The cause of the explosion is a mystery.

NEPHEW LOST PETITION.

That Part of Harriet E. W. Peck's
Property Go to Husband.

Burlington, March 27.—By the will of Harriet E. W. Peck, who died in 1905, her husband, T. W. Peck, was to have the management of and income from her estate during his natural life. Although he exercised this privilege until the time of his death last year, he filed a waiver that the portion of his wife's estate due him by law be given him. After his death, no decision having been given, a petition was filed by V. H. Clark, a nephew, to disallow the waiver. After several hearings Judge Bingham decided yesterday that the waiver be disallowed.

HAD FAIR-HAired BOY.

Other Passengers Thought It Might Be
Missing Marvin Boy.

Lynn, Mass., March 27.—The police this morning can find no trace of the fair-haired boy who was seen on a Lynn trolley car last night in company with two foreigners, evidently strangers. The passengers say the boy looked like the kidnapped Marvin child and seemed to be in terror of his custodians.

SULLIVAN WON IN TENTH.

Knocked Out Jack Palmer in Fight at
Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 27.—In the fight between Jack Palmer, the English heavyweight, and Jack (Twin) Sullivan here last night, Sullivan won the fight in the tenth round scoring a knockout.

CHOOSE SITE
FOR CITY HALLMontpelier Citizens Strong
for Haymarket Square

AT LAST NIGHT'S MEETING

Voted to Expend Not to Exceed \$25,000
for Construction of Home for City
Government—Granite Plant
Is Exempted.

At a very largely attended city meeting last night, Montpelier decided to erect a city hall on the Haymarket square site, off Main street, at a cost not to exceed \$25,000. The city already owns the greater part of the ground necessary for the building planned for, but it is probable that some additional territory will have to be acquired. Those who favored a State street site for the building found themselves in a hopeless minority, as did those who wished to buy the present grocery building and use it as an auditorium. To seven citizens, with Mayor Haley as chairman ex-officio, will be delegated the work of superintending the erection. The city council will name this committee.

The above action was not taken until after a spirited discussion. J. A. DeBoer read the report of the committee which had been chosen to select a site, stating that they had failed to agree. The report was accepted. Then the citizens proceeded to ballot on the site. At 9:20 the box was turned, and the count showed as follows:

Whole number cast	702
Necessary for choice	352
Haymarket square	536
Exchange, State street	133
Deming & Willard, State street	33

Thereupon, Mayor Haley declared in favor of the Haymarket square site. On motion of Mr. DeBoer it was then voted to build a city hall at a total cost for site, buildings, furnishings and vaults not to exceed \$125,000, that the city bond for the same, said bonds to bear not to exceed four per cent interest, and to be sold to the highest bidder, the city reserving the right to reject all bids. These bonds are to be issued and to bear such rate of interest at market conditions warrant.

It was also voted on motion of A. J. Sibley that the city sequester the income from the city water works for the next five years, the money so accumulated to be applied first to pay for necessary repairs to the system, second, to pay the \$125,000 of United States deposit fund now held by the city, third, to pay the floating indebtedness of \$10,000, and, fourth, to pay any bonded indebtedness of the city that the council thinks proper.

The annual city meeting was then adjourned and a special meeting was at once convened. This meeting voted to exempt the granite firm of Jones, Jellyman & Jones from taxation for a period of five years and voted that the city labor be done by taxpayers as far as possible.

SHOT TO DEFEND
HIMSELF HE SAYSWilliam Sanders Was Killed in Bos-
ton Last Night By George Seaver.

Boston, March 27.—William F. Saunders, 35 years old, was shot and almost instantly killed last night in the hallway at 35 Wellington street, South End, by George F. Seaver, 49 years old, the janitor of the building. Seaver, who was locked up at station 5 on the charge of murder, claims that he shot Saunders in self-defense.

The shooting occurred at 11:30 o'clock and from a hasty examination and investigation the police were unable to find any one in the house who witnessed the affair. Saunders was struck in the left breast, the bullet passing either through or close to the heart.

Those in the house who heard the shooting rushed into the hall and found the body of Saunders. Seaver was standing nearby with a revolver in his hand and told those who surrounded him that Saunders had attacked him and that he shot him defending himself. The police were notified and Seaver was taken to the police station.

Saunders' wife was one of those who rushed into the hallway and was nearly overcome upon finding the body of her husband. Seaver claims a residence at 136 Warren avenue, where he has a wife and several children. He has been janitor of the building at 35 Wellington street but a short time.

Further investigation by the police disclosed that Saunders was jealous of the attention of the woman said to be Mrs. Saunders. Seaver told the police that when he reached the house at 35 Wellington street to close up for the night, that Saunders was waiting for him and called him up the steps and kicked him into the doorway. Seaver said he turned and drawing his revolver fired.

CLEANINGS AND GOSSIP.

In Alabama Miss Latona Burns has been appointed by the board of education to organize a concerted movement for the improvement of the public schools of the state. She will be sent into every city and town in Alabama to form schools improvement associations and to try and awaken an active interest in public education in the public officials, and in mothers and fathers as well.

It is a mistake to suppose that only Irish members in the British House of commons perpetrate "bills," says Town and Country. It was a representative in the Hungarian Diet who, when lured Austria tried to interfere in local Magyar affairs, declared passionately, "Gentlemen, the apple of discord has been thrown into our midst; and if it is not tipped in the bud, it will burst into a conflagration that will deluge the world!"

OLD TIMES AND TODAY.

Were Well Illustrated by the Athena
Club Last Evening.

The Athena club, in observing gentlemen's night last evening at Mrs. Milne's, gave a charming sequel to their winter's study of household economies by giving an original sketch written by Mrs. R. A. Hoar, entitled, "The Simple Life." Illustrating household economies of the homestead days and today. It was given by seven members of the club, Mrs. Powers, Mrs. Waterman, Mrs. Hale, Mrs. Veile, Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Milne and Mrs. Hoar.

In the first scene the simple life of the colonial days was well carried out, from the tall candle in the spinning wheel and the footstool, while the next brought out the most up-to-date methods of the simple life of today with the fireless cooking and automatic cleaner. The pants were all carried out in a most successful manner. Old-time songs were given by Mrs. Bassett with autoharp accompaniment. The souvenirs were programmes containing photographs of the two scenes.

A social time was then spent in examining the ancient relics collected, some of which were two hundred years old. The company then adjourned to the same Mrs. Hoar, across the street, where sugar on snow was served. Here the same idea was carried out, the decorations on one table being a realistic sugar house, with smoke pouring from the chimney and surrounded by maple trees with buckets hanging. The other table was decorated in the most approved methods of today, with garlands and carnations of pink and green. Piano solos were given by Ellen Hoar. Everything combined to make the evening one of the most enjoyable in the history of the club.

WANTS TO PLAY
BASE BALL AGAINRutland Association Declared Free of
Debt, and Anxious to Get into
Game Again.

Rutland, March 27.—A meeting of the stockholders of the Rutland Base Ball association was held at the Herwick last night. The report of Treasurer W. L. Davis was read and accepted. It showed that the association was free from debt, it being the only association of the last Northern league out of debt. The expenditures for 1906 were \$7,920.54.

A committee consisting of D. G. Quebec, Peter F. McManis and James O'Brien were appointed to correspond with Burlington, Montpelier-Barre, Glens Falls and Schenectady in regard to the organization of a league the coming summer at a fixed salary limit.

WENT 19 INNINGS.

Cornell Scored Winning Tally With
Two Men Out.

Raleigh, N. C., March 27.—Cornell and Trinity played a twelve inning game at Durham yesterday. Neither side scored until the twelfth when with two out Cornell made the winning run.

Batteries: Lovejoy and Hastings; Webb and Wren.

Other Scores.—C.—Philadelphia Nationals 10; Cincinnati Reds 7. At Macon, Ga.—Detroit Americans 2; Macon 1.

CATCH ALLEGED SMUGGLER.

Freightburg Man Drove Russian Fam-
ily Across the Line.

St. Albans, March 27.—C. L. Holden of Freightburg, P. Q., and five Russian aliens were lodged in county jail here yesterday, the former held on the charge of smuggling the latter into the United States. Holden was arrested yesterday afternoon by immigrant inspector Arthur L. Weeks of Richmond and deputy sheriff Homer Sturtevant of Fairfield, just as he was about to put the Russians on a train. He had driven to Fairfield from Freightburg with the party, leaving Canada at an early hour yesterday morning. Immigrant inspector C. S. Forbes of St. Albans was notified and brought the outfit to the jail here. The Russians comprise a family of father, mother and three children.

BRINGING HIGH PRICES.

Maple Sugar Going at Rutland at 35
cents in Some Cases.

Rutland, March 27.—Maple sugar is selling here at the highest price in some years. Grocers are asking 35 cents for cake sugar, which is three cents higher than the average for the first crop, and some dealers are charging 35 cents for fancy. One man sold 92 pounds for 40 cents per pound between Saturday night and Monday.

In the northern Italian Tyrol are a cluster of awe-inspiring mountain peaks that violate all ideas of what mountains should be. They are known as the Dolomites. Tossed high, as if arrested in mid-air, they are nature's own castles in the air. More than any castle walls ever built by man, they seem to defy all possibility of ascent. So little known, and so delicate are these mountain obelisks that they have never been conquered by man until the new morning. Just how they were finally surmounted is shown fully in Lyman H. Howe's *Literature* in the opera house on Saturday afternoon and evening. The ingenuity and risks taken by the climbers is sensational in the extreme. Up the sides of great shattered peaks the summits lost in the clouds, the climbers are seen gaining their way foot by foot, and always at imminent risk of their lives. Finally the last forbidding walls are scaled and then the picture unfolds a panorama of mountains so spectacular and fantastic in their shapes as to be widely the mind. The scene is so unlike anything else ever witnessed as to make the spectator feel transported to another world altogether. New combinations of the wonders of nature follow in rapid succession, making this feature of Mr. Howe's new programme unlike any ever attempted hitherto. The scenery is abundant also with other features such as Atlantic whaling and quaint Ireland, which give it a wealth of interest never before embodied in a single exhibition.

HIS SALARY
AGAIN CUTAldermen Reduced Health
Officer's to \$150

TWO OTHERS ARE RAISED

Middle of a Proposed Bridge for Brook
Street—An Effort to Rush Mat-
ters Held Up by the City
Ordinances.

The board of aldermen at its regular meeting voted to increase the salary of the bookkeeper and stenographer in the water superintendent's office from \$35 to \$38 a month, and to give two weeks' vacation; to pay the assistant in the city engineer's office \$40 a month and give him a two weeks' vacation without loss of pay, and to return to the police the five cents an hour allowed for keeping prisoners. The board further voted to reduce the salary of the health officer, J. W. Jackson, from \$225 to \$150. The health officer was paid \$300 last year, but the salary was reduced this year. He appeared before the board last week and stated he thought it worth more and detailed some of the work required and done by him. The matter was referred to the salary committee, which reported at last night's meeting as follows:

"We have carefully investigated this matter. Section 7, page 15, of the city charter says the members of the board of health shall receive reasonable compensation, which should be fixed by the city council. We do not find that this has ever been repealed by the state legislature, and therefore we are given to doubt that the matter of fixing this salary is with the city council this year as it has been in the past. We consider reasonable compensation to be that sum which responsible parties are willing to assume the duties for, and therefore we recommend that the compensation of the secretary of the board of health be fixed at \$150 per year, city to furnish all necessary disinfecting material and implements when it is necessary that the disinfecting be done at the expense of the city." The report was accepted.

The salary committee also recommended the retention of C. B. Jones as janitor of the city building for another year at a salary of \$35 a month.

A New Bridge for Brook Street.

City Engineer Smith submitted to the board plans for a new bridge on Brook street, and stated that he had given him by three bridge companies for the material, f. o. b. Barre. These prices were given him in confidence and were not to be divulged unless the aldermen voted to buy, when the prices would be made public. Attention was called to the ordinances, which say the street commissioners shall advertise for bids, and after trying for a time to get around this, a motion was made that the city engineer advertise for bids to be opened Friday night of this week.

Mayor Robins, who was present in the room, asked if the bridge had ever been authorized, and no alderman had knowledge that it ever had. This put a new face on the matter and after some further discussion the aldermen adjourned and a council meeting was called, at which a resolution was introduced and passed authorizing the construction of a bridge on Brook street, the city engineer to advertise for bids to be opened at a special meeting of the council Saturday evening of this week.

This haste was due to the desire to allow the prices submitted to the city engineer to be put in as the bids on the bridge material. While it was not stated at the meeting, it is understood that the lowest of these figures is a little under \$450 for the material f. o. b. Barre.

It was discovered this morning that the ordinances say that the street commissioners shall advertise for ten days, so what effect this will have on last night's action cannot be told.

Damage by Water.

Wm. McDonald, with several other residents of Bassett street, appeared to enter a complaint against the water from Prospect street running down on their property and damaging it. Alderman Cutler said the water was running in its natural course, and the city had no right to change it. Referred to the street committee.

B. W. Hooker & Co. asked for a permit to run their carpet cleaning plant during April. Referred to the health officer and health committee.

A resolution was adopted fixing license fees for pool rooms, lunch rooms, etc., at the same prices as last year.

The supply committee was authorized to purchase a carload of coal, one of seven tons and a cart.

George N. Elden tendered his resignation as inspector of leather and it was accepted.

The property committee was authorized to have the police cell room cleaned, whitewashed, newly painted and repaired where necessary.

JOKE RESULTED SERIOUSLY.

Companions Yelled "Cop" and Massie
Boy Slid Into Spike on Pole.

The young son of Henry Massie of Brook street met with quite a serious accident Monday afternoon while at play near his home on Brook street. The boy had climbed a pole when some of his companions shouted that the "cop" was coming, and the Massie boy in his hurry to reach the ground slid down the pole and was quite seriously injured by a spike or some other protruding object. There was no "cop" in sight.

The boy was taken to the Emergency hospital where twelve stitches were taken in the wound in his body. Young Massie is doing as well as could be expected and his early recovery is looked for.

LICENSE BOARD
NAMED TODAY
BY THE JUDGESEIGHT VICTORIES
AND TWO DEFEATSSpaulding Girls Closed Season With a
Six to Nothing Victory Over
Newport High School.

The Spaulding girls' basketball team closed a successful year last evening at a Newport by administering a second defeat to the Newport high school girls, the score being six to nothing. They have finished the interscholastic league schedule, during which ten games were played. Spaulding won eight and lost two games. The games lost were to Montpelier high school in the first game and to Barton Landing high school Monday night of this week. As the standing now is, Barton Landing leads the league with only one game lost, that to Spaulding; but it is uncertain if the championship will be awarded to that team, as several of the members are not attending school.

The eight games won by Spaulding were from the following teams, Montpelier high school once, Montpelier seminary twice, Stowe high school twice, Newport high school twice, and Barton Landing once.

BODY PLACED IN VAULT.

Funeral of Gilman I. Jackson Who Died
in Georgia Recently.

The funeral services of the late Gilman I. Jackson, who died recently at Talaposa, Georgia, were held at 3:30 yesterday afternoon at the residence of his nephew, Frank W. Jackson of Liberty street. Rev. C. C. Comer officiated at the funeral and Mrs. B. W. Haley sang two solos.

The following gentlemen, friends and former business associates of the deceased, acted as bearers: Joseph M. Taft, C. B. Townsend, William C. Quinlan, O. N. Granger, E. L. Smith and B. W. Haley. A delegation from the Masonic fraternity, of which Mr. Jackson was a member, was present and the Masonic burial service was used at the cemetery. The body was placed in the tomb at Elmwood cemetery awaiting further arrangements for its disposal.

FUNERAL OF H. S. MARTIN.

Was Held Yesterday Afternoon From
His Late Home.

The funeral services of Hiram S. Martin were held yesterday afternoon at his late residence on South Main street, the Rev. C. C. Comer officiating. The bearers were the two sons, F. B. Martin of Barre and C. B. Martin of Boston, Sherman Chamberlin, E. T. Moore, Willis Gale of Barre and George Lynde of Williamstown. Mrs. M. D. Lamb sang appropriate selections and the floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. Interment was in Hope cemetery.

SEVERAL CASES UP.

Alleged Violators of the Law in City
Court Today.

It was another busy day in city court today. Oscar Lindsay, who was arrested last night by Deputy Sheriff H. J. Slayton, pleaded guilty this morning to intoxication, and was fined \$5 and costs of \$6.60. He went to Montpelier with the sheriff to try to raise the money to pay his fine. William Ryan, a dress goods peddler, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Chief Faulkner on a warrant issued by grand juror Davis charging him with peddling without a state license. Ryan pleaded not guilty and the case was put over until tomorrow morning.

The court then took up the breach of peace case of Arthur Asch. The defendant's attorney, J. Ward Carver, called for a jury trial and the panel was drawn and the jurors summoned for one o'clock this afternoon. The liquor case of G. Giudulli, which was put over to this morning from yesterday, was again postponed until tomorrow morning.

The jurymen in the Asch case, which started at one o'clock this afternoon, are William Jack, Warner Cook, John O'Leary, G. N. Tilden, H. L. Smith and Frank Cave.

VERDICT AGAINST KESSON.

In Case Which Was Tried in Washing-
ton County Court.

The jury in the case of Hattie Catchpaw vs. James Kesson, bastardy, returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff after being out about half an hour last evening. The amount of the verdict was left in the hands of the court to decide. The taking of evidence in the case was completed yesterday afternoon and the arguments of the attorneys were finished so that the case went to the jury late in the afternoon.

Rutland Man Signs The Pledge.

Rutland, March 27.—The first case in this city under the new law permitting a prisoner to sign the pledge in place of paying a fine or serving the alternative sentence was that of a man found guilty in the city court yesterday of intoxication, third offence. He paid the costs, about \$6, and signed the pledge thereby escaping a jail sentence of about three months.

Central Labor Union.

A regular meeting of the Central Labor union of Barre and vicinity will be held in Nichols' block on Friday evening, March 29, at 7:30 o'clock. James Mutch, secretary.

The degree team of the I. O. O. F. M. U., will meet tomorrow night at 6 o'clock sharp, to practice with the orchestra in M. W. A. hall.

Among arrivals at the city hotel today are F. N. Eisenman, C. W. Burnett, George E. Page, Boston; J. L. Fulton, White River Junction; F. L. Spaulding, Manchester, N. H.

H. M. Houston, Robert T.
Gordon and James Adie
Are the Choice of the Ap-
pointing Power in Wash-
ington County.ALL THE APPOINTEES
ARE READY TO SERVEMessrs. Houston and Adie
Are Former Aldermen and
Mr. Gordon is Prominent
In Union Labor Circles in
City.

The assistant judges of Washington county this afternoon appointed the license commissioners for the city of Barre as follows:

H. M. Houston.
James Adie.
Robert T. Gordon.

Thus the deadlock which has been on between the two judges almost since the election of March 5, at which time the city voted to license the sale of liquor for one year after being two years in the no-license column, is broken. The sixteen days' limit given by the law in which to appoint passed last Thursday without any appointments being made, but the judges have decided that they would be upheld, so appointed commissioners today at the second trial since their disagreement last Thursday.

All three of the appointees are well known citizens of the city. Mr. Houston is a building contractor, a long-time resident, a former alderman and also a former city inspector of buildings.

Mr. Gordon is a tool sharpener by occupation and is employed at the plant of Jones Bros. company. He came to Barre from Laconia, N. H., and is prominent in the affairs of the tool sharpeners' union of the city.

The other member of the commission, Mr. Adie, is a member of the granite manufacturing firm of Adie & Milne. He was formerly an alderman of the city from the first ward.

It is understood that all three of the appointees stand ready to qualify and act as commissioners.

DON'T WANT TO SERVE.

Middlesex License Commissioners Don't
Hanker For It.

Two of the three license commissioners, appointed last week by the assistant judges of Washington county court for Middlesex, refuse to serve and it is stated that Erving E. Danmore of Middlesex village, the third commissioner, is willing to go with the majority. The other two who refuse to serve are A. R. Leonard, who resides at Shady Hill and Ira J. Johnson of Middlesex Center.

The assistant judges stated this afternoon that they had received the resignations of Messrs. Leonard and Johnson, but that no action had been taken on the letters. It is said that if the license commissioners of Middlesex advertise for applications for licenses, an injunction will be asked for, restraining them from so doing.

CATTLE